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Hongkong, October 27, 1906.

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1. Whether the administration of the Sanitary and Building Regulations enacted by the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1905, as now carried out, is satisfactory, and if not, what improvements can be made.
2. Whether any irregularity or corruption exists or has existed among the officials charged with the administration of the aforesaid Regulation.
The Commission expressly invite the inhabitants of Hongkong and Kowloon to co-operate with them by forwarding any complaint they may have to make or suggestion to offer in connection with the matters aforesaid to the Undersigned.
Any person examined as a witness in the enquiry aforesaid who in the opinion of the Commissioners makes a full and true disclosure touching all the matters in respect of which he is examined will receive a certificate from the Commission which will protect the witness against any civil or criminal proceedings which may be instituted against such witness in respect of any matter touching which he has been examined.
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W. BOWEN-ROWLANDS,
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Hongkong, July 7, 1906.

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frame, and thereupon he was suddenly and immediately petrified and still stands there crouching and clinging to the side of the mountain. As I told you, his Commander-in-Chief was awaiting him at the entrance of the gorge, and at the sound of the pleasure cry, he too, was turned to rock, and both stand yet, a warning against hostility and dilatoriness.

I then asked the boatman a few questions. "Did Chien look anything like what he had said?" "Could they give any explanation of the origin of the legend?" "When did the story take its rise, and who was responsible for it?" The King told me he could not read, but had never heard that any books could throw any light on the matter. But he was no god, for one generation tells all it knows, and all there is to know to the next, and so it will go on to the end of time. It was, I thought, a pretty, and yet a tragic romance, though one looks in vain for a sufficient motive. It seems hardly sufficient to say that the legend is a warning against dilatoriness and cowardice, though these latter suggestions in the petrifying of the "Blind King" and his supporter, the Commander-in-Chief, because the former did not press forward with sufficient energy, and so reach the southern end of the gorge before the breaking of the day, and so to an interesting collection was all the fiery, pious and bogus stories of China, that lurk among the dark and romantic gorges and mountains of the country collected and collected, and it would probably be discovered by experts that in China could be found many such legends as the legend of the West. The story of the "Blind King" so related by the boatman is probably a specimen of which hundreds could be collected, and of which I already saw some appeared in print.

By the time the boatman had finished his narrative we had passed up the gorge, and left the gorge behind us. The darkness of the Pass was exchanged for the soft light of the setting sun, in a cloudless sky. As I turned and looked at the shadows behind me, at the mighty mountains surrounding me, at the purple river below, I felt the spirit of romance upon me, and I understood not at the sight of the Pass with a full and a half.

The Pass was a narrow, steep, and rocky gorge, and the boatman told me that it was a very dangerous place, and that he had never seen any one else pass through it. The Pass was a narrow, steep, and rocky gorge, and the boatman told me that it was a very dangerous place, and that he had never seen any one else pass through it.

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CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship CHINA.
The above steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered by WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst., at 6 p.m., will be landed and stored at "consignees' risk and expense."

Broken, chafed, or damaged goods will be examined at this Company's Godown on FRIDAY, the 2nd November, at 11 a.m. S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1906. 2096

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 30th October, at 2.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 5th November, or they will not be recognized. No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Fills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.

Hongkong, October 27, 1906. 2095

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAMER MAZAGON.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO by the above named vessel are hereby informed that their goods, being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

This vessel brings Cargo from Ceylon, Siam, and B. & P.S.N. Co.'s steamers. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 15th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 8, 1906. 1961

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER SUMATRA.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO by the above named Vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Hours.

Goods not cleared by the 1st November, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1906. 2072

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMER TONKIN.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO from LONDON ex s.s. Dordogne and Matapan; from HAVRE ex s.s. Dordogne; from BORDEAUX ex s.s. Verbeke and Ville de Dunkerque, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned, by the undersigned, and Goods remaining undelivered after MONDAY, the 5th November, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 5th November, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 5th November, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, October 29, 1906. 2088

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Last reported at.
Albatross	deep-sea vessel	1799	18	3000	Comdr. E. La T. Latham	Hongkong
Astrea	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	9000	Captain S. L. Vaughan	Wahaiwei
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut. Comdr. Davidson	Yantai
Britannia	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut. Comdr. Bantock	Yantai
Cadmus	aloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Lurg	Hongkong
Chorub	water tank and tug	390	—	390	—	Hongkong
Cliff	aloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. H. D. Wilkin, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Diadem	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	8,500	Capt. H. W. Selby, R.N.	Hongkong
Flora	torpedo boat destroyer	380	6	6700	Lieut. Comdr. Hughes	Hongkong
Flora	cruiser, 2nd class	4360	10	7000	Capt. Gifford Dalrymple	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut. Comdr. Cox	Wahaiwei
Harb	torpedo boat destroyer	275	6	4000	Lieut. Com. Henniker Heaton	Wahaiwei
Janus	torpedo boat destroyer	280	6	3900	Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Wahaiwei
Kent	cruiser, 1st class	9000	14	22,000	Capt. Du Horney	Wahaiwei
Kimba	cruiser, 1st class	1,000	14	20,000	Capt. Cecil F. Thursby, R.N.	Hongkong
Monmouth	river gunboat	816	4	1200	Lt. Comdr. E. V. R. Dugmore	Yangtze
Moorhen	cruiser, 1st class	9800	—	—	Capt. A. J. Tuke	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	—	Lt. Com. R. E. Vaughan	West River
Orion	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lieut. Comdr. J. Kiddle	Wahaiwei
Prometheus	cruiser	2400	—	—	Capt. Woolcombe	Wahaiwei
Rambler	surveying vessel	435	6	650	Comdr. C. E. Moore	Hongkong
Ramona	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. C. C. Walcott	Hongkong
Sandwich	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Com. H. T. Atlay	West River
Saipu	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt. Comdr. Lyne	Yangtze
Takar	torpedo boat destroyer	250	6	6500	Reserve	Hongkong
Tamar	roving ship	650	6	—	Commodore Williams	Hongkong
Tal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt. Comdr. E. Secrest	Yangtze
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut. Comdr. West	Shanghai
Thistle	torpedo boat destroyer	350	6	6300	Lieut. Comdr. Stevenson	Wahaiwei
Waterwitch	surveying ship	420	6	450	Comdr. R. W. Christie	Shanghai
Whiting	torpedo boat	280	6	700	Lieut. Com. C. E. L. Thomas	Wahaiwei
Whiting	river gunboat	195	2	800	Lt. Comdr. J. B. Spier-Sims	Upper Yangtze
Whiting	river gunboat	150	2	600	Lieut. Com. C. W. V. V. V.	Upper Yangtze

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name	Flag and Description	Tons	Guns	H.P.	Captain	
Kaiser f	Anstro-Hungarian cruiser	439	10	9000	Capt. Ferdinand Bellay	Shanghai
Kaiser f	Anstro-Hungarian cruiser	1350	12	6000	Captain R. K. K.	Singapore
children	French armoured cruiser	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Ferret	Hai Phong
leour	French torpedo ship	—	—	—	Lieut. Morle	Hai Phong
houette	French gunboat	123	—	500	Commander Kerviel	Cape St. James
Argo	French gunboat	—	—	160	Lieut. Jaume	Canton
Carnado	French gunboat	645	10	1000	Lieut. Hue	Salgon
Decidie	French gunboat	11,242	14	5500	Lieut. L'Eon	Chaofo
Entrecasteaux	French cruiser	3965	14	5500	Capt. Tracou	Salgon
Descartes	French armoured cruiser	10,114	18	20,000	Comdr. Anet	Salgon
Dupetit-Thouars	French sub-marine	303	7	6300	Lieut. Coquilin	Salgon
Eurygion	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Garrau	Hongkong
Francis	French destroyer	9276	16	20,000	Lieut. Saint-Saine	Hongkong
Fronda	French cruiser	9700	—	—	Captain Riden	Salgon
Geydon	French cruiser	9700	—	—	Lieut. Porter	Salgon
Guichenot	French gunboat	900	6	808	Lieut. Coriou	Hai Phong
Henri Riviere	French gunboat	307	7	300	Comdr. Sagot-Davaud	Salgon
Jacquin	French gunboat	1250	7	2200	Comdr. Simon	Salgon
Javelina	French gunboat	1250	7	2200	Lieut. Ambruster	Salgon
Lyrix	French sub-marine	9700	12	19,600	Capt. Maré	Salgon
Montcalm	French cruiser	307	6	300	Lieut. de Chemin	Salgon
Montcalm	French destroyer	350	7	300	Capt. Grillet	Salgon
Orly	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Laviere	Salgon
Peiho	French torpedo boat	350	7	300	Lieut. de Reinach Werth	Hongkong
Pistole	French torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lieut. Glorieux	Salgon
Rapier	French torpedo boat	9437	8	6071	Lt. Vincent de Brichnac	Salgon
Redoutable	French battleship	1798	10	1700	Reserve	Salgon
Sabre	French destroyer	1798	10	1700	Lieut. Leblat	Hongkong
Styx	French gunboat	250	6	—	Capt. Dupres	Salgon
Takou	French destroyer	6150	23	4560	Capt. Terquem	Salgon
Vauban	French battleship (reserve)	123	7	500	Lieut. Brugnon	Hongkong
Vilante	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	—
Admiral	German flag ship	11,000	16	14,000	Captain Wilken	Japan
Ilia	German gunboat	1000	10	1800	Comdr. Baron von M. Hille	Hongkong
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	10	1800	Comdr. Knebe	Hongkong
Luchs	German gunboat	1008	8	875	Comdr. Hartog	Hongkong
Möwe	German gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Lubbert	Taiwan
Nixe	German cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. Witschel	Hongkong
S. 90	German torpedo boat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Wing-Moller	Taiwan
Taku	German torpedo boat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Walter	Taiwan
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1900	Comdr. A. Behn	Japan
Tungsten	German gunboat	170	6	1300	Capt. Lieut. Giesler	Canton
Vaterland	German gunboat	—	3	500	Capt. Lieut. von Balow	Yangtze River
Vorwärts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Ferbon	Yangtze River



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DRATH.
FOCKES.—At the Government Civil
Hospital, at 12.15 p.m., to-day, CHARLES F.
FOCKES, (Superintendent Engineer, Nord-
deutscher Lloyd, Hongkong), aged 42
years. The funeral will pass the moun-
tains on Wednesday, 31st October, at
8.30 a.m.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
Auctions.
11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 20, Morrison Hill Road.
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, at No. 3, Century Crescent Ken-
nedy Road.

Miscellaneous.
Transfer Books of Hongkong Steam
Water Co., Ltd., close from this date to
3rd November inclusive.
Goods per *Benader* undelivered after
this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Kumang* undelivered after
4 p.m. on this date will be landed.
Goods per *China* undelivered after 8 p.m.
this date will be landed.

General Memoranda.
THURSDAY, November 1.—
11 a.m.—Auction of Children's Suit &
Sundry Clothing, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lam-
port's Sales Rooms.
Goods per *Sinatra* not cleared at 4 p.m.
on this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, November 2.—
11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at Messrs Hughes & Hough's
Sales Rooms.

SATURDAY, November 3.—
Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Steam
Water Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.
Noon—Auction of steamer *Yunda*, on
Board.
Noon—Auction of 5 Motor Boats at the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Co., Ltd.

MONDAY, November 5.—
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Lands at the
Public Works Department's Office.
Transfer Books of The Dairy Farm Co.,
Ltd., close from this date to 18th Nov.
inclusive.
Goods per *Tekin* undelivered after this
date at Noon will be subject to rent
and landing charges.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1906.

THE OPIUM TRADE.

SPECIAL energy has been manifested of
late in regard to the suppression of
trade in opium and intoxicants to
"savage races" in all parts of the
world. The expression *savage races* is
used in the pamphlets issued by the
Reform Bureau, an American organisa-
tion which inaugurated a missionary
crusade against trade in opium and
intoxicants in mission fields in 1900.
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with the question of ending once and
for all the opium trade in that country.
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adopt a resolution inviting other nations
to unite in a treaty to forbid the sale
of intoxicants and opium among "un-
civilized races." Nothing in this direc-
tion appears to have been done as yet
but on the 16th inst. a conference of
representatives of seventeen nations
was to meet at Brussels for the purpose
of deciding upon the best means of
securing the co-operation of the countries
in the work of suppressing the trade.
The Bureau wishes Great Britain and
the United States to arrive at an
understanding in reference to the matter
and then submit a universal prohibitory
treaty to the other nations. It is not
exactly clear what interest other than
moral, the United States can take in
the opium trade. The only country
which will have to bear the financial
burden of putting a period to an
industry which, directly and indirectly,
gives employment to a large number of
our fellow subjects in India is Great
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a little hymn of self-congratulation over
the sacrifice of mammon to morality
but John Bull is to pay the piper. It
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business arrangement. If it should be
shown that China has definitely decided
that the evils arising from opium smok-
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stopped, at any sacrifice there is no
doubt but that Great Britain would
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uncomfortable doubt asserts itself that
the Chinese mandarin may be mere-
ly scheming to establish a Chinese opium
trust, to monopolise the whole trade for
China. The only way for China to
prove that she is in earnest is to enter
upon a formal undertaking with Great

Britain that "no new cultivation" of
ground for the poppy is to be permitted
and that the amount grown shall
gradually decrease until, ten years from
now, only sufficient shall be grown to
provide enough opium for medicinal
requirements. Even with such an un-
dertaking it would be necessary for
China to place the supervision of trade
under European control during the
"tapering off" period, otherwise there
would be no guarantee that China was
carrying out her contract. The matter
seems to us to be one which has to be
settled between the Government of
Great Britain and China and no apparent
reason exists—so far as the opium
question is concerned—why any other
nation should interfere.

Mr Jack London, who has published
several books which have had a great
vogue and who is now concentrating
attention upon himself by proceeding
round the globe in a small boat, has
published an article in the *Editor* on
"how to get into print." This is
undoubtedly his popularity. What is
wanted is an article explaining how
about 99.9 per cent of those who now
manage to get into print can be kept
out. Caxton's name has hitherto been
held in reverence but nowadays, when
the printing presses of the world are
hourly emptying a flood of slush over
the reading public, stray people are
beginning to wonder whether the old
system when it took years for a book
to be turned out was not the better.
So slow and so costly was the process
that it was only the books of value
which were preserved. At the present
time, when the spread of education
has made every other man—and
woman—a potential author, the com-
petition of publishers and the cheapness
of the mechanical process of book-
making brings into existence yearly
tens of thousands of books which might
infinitely better have been left un-
printed. A book should either
instruct or amuse. How many of the
books published in a last generation
do either? Instead of endeavouring
to augment the swollen ranks of the
"literary" army Mr London would be
well advised to suggest some method
of dividing the sheep from the goats.
Parliament when it has dealt with the
subjects of less importance which
occupy its attention at present might
with advantage authorise a Readers'
Protective Institute which would sit
in judgment upon each new issue.
Where it was found that an unworthy
book was added to the afflictions of
the people it should have the power
to order it to be burnt by the common
hangman and the author and publisher
should be put in the stocks for six
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LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

The presents sent to the Emperor of
China by the Emperor of Japan include a
gold watch, a gold cigarette case, and silver
vases and embroideries. The Empress
sent the Empress Dowager an embroidered
carpet and many other gifts.

There has been a sensational crime at
Hanoi, where on Wednesday, 3rd inst.,
Mme Mengin was arrested on a charge of
assaulting her husband. At about the
same time, Lieut Picard Destelan was called
before his Colonel and then and there
arrested by a lieutenant of gendarmes on
a charge of complicity in the murder.

The Marquard Concert Co.

Mr Johann Marquard, and Madam
Alexandra Marquard, violinist and harp-
ist respectively, have arrived by the
"China" and will give a concert at the
Peak Hotel on Monday night. These per-
formers are world famous and should prove
a great attraction to the music lovers of
the Colony. They will be assisted by
leading local artists.

Band at Kowloon Hotel.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. G.
H. W. Price and Officers, the band of
the 129th Baluchis will play the following
programme, during dinner, at the Kowloon
Hotel, to-morrow (Wednesday) evening, at
8 o'clock, weather permitting—
March..... "Navahe"..... Alayne
Overture..... "Hungarian"..... Keller
Selection..... "The Bohemian Girl"..... Balfe
Two Steps..... "Laughing Waters"..... Elgar
Divertimento..... "Chinese Melodies"..... Elgar
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BY TELEGRAPH.

MOORISH BRIGANDS.

TROUBLE AT ARZILA.

France and Spain Active.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay).
LONDON, October 29.

In consequence of the capture of an
Englishman and a Spaniard by Moorish
brigands at Arzila, France and Spain,
are exercising the policing rights
conferred at Algiers.

Both France and Spain have
despatched a warship to Arzila.

In the meantime the notorious
Raisuli had occupied Arzila on behalf
of the Moorish Government and had
restored order.

The French Government has in-
structed the military authorities in
Algeria to be ready to resist any
aggressive action.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]
**JAPANESE IN BRITISH
COLUMBIA.**

LONDON, October 28.
The Japanese ship "Suiyu Maru" has
been arrested for smuggling Japanese pas-
sengers into British Columbia.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, October 28.
President Roosevelt has instructed
Secretary McCall to make a thorough
enquiry in San Francisco. He feels that
every effort should be made to accord the
Japanese treaty rights, and hopes that the
efforts of the Government will allay the
anti-American feeling in Japan.

RUSSIA.

LONDON, October 28.
A bomb was thrown in St. Petersburg,
at a van conveying Customs money to the
treasury. 438,000 was captured. Several
were killed and wounded. The throwers
of the bomb escaped.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

P. C. Berrie proceeded against the
owner of the launch "Wai On" to-day for
carrying too many passengers. The owner
was fined \$75.

The men of the 3rd Middlesex Regi-
ment will disembark from the transport
"Soudan" between 9 and 10 a.m. to-
morrow.

The many friends of Mr O. F. Fockes,
Superintendent Engineer of the Norddeut-
scher Lloyd Co., will regret to hear of his
untimely death, which occurred to-day.
The funeral will pass the Monument at
8.30 a.m. to-morrow.

In consequence of the firm attitude of
the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the
leading native merchants at Chefoo, the
Waiwupu and the Shanghai have finally
refused the request of the foreign com-
munity to establish an international munici-
pality at that port. The irreconcilable
attitude of the Municipal Council towards
the Chinese authorities at Shanghai is taken
as a warning for all time.

Chinese constable No 248 was convicted,
at the Magistracy, this morning, of
having stolen a silver watch. It was
stated in evidence that the *lady* was
one of a number engaged in a gam-
bling raid at Shaikwan yesterday and
after the gamblers had paid their fine one
of them complained that his watch had not
been returned and the *lady* was caught
in the act of hiding it. He was sentenced
to three weeks' gaol. His Worship re-
marking that he would not give him stocks
owing to his previous good conduct.

That excellent engineering journal, *The
Far Eastern Review*, for October is to hand
and is as usual got up in an exceedingly
good style. The typhoon in Hongkong was
the subject of a number of excellent
illustrations, and there also appears a
fine picture of the new river steamer
"Loong Wo" turned out by the
Dock Co. The Peking-Hankow Rail-
way is also dealt with at length, and
numerous illustrations are given. Other
special articles deal with different inter-
ests in matters, and in addition there is a mass
of miscellaneous information. *The Far
Eastern Review* takes a great interest in
the engineering and commercial side of
Hongkong life, and devotes much space to
our interests.

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THE only remedy which can always be
depended upon in the most acute
cases of pain in the stomach, cramp, colic or
diarrhoea, is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera
and Diarrhoea Remedy. Most dealers
know this and recommend it when such a
medicine is called for. For sale by all
chemists and storekeepers.

SPORTING.

Football.

THE RUGBY GAME.

The rugby football match between the
Hongkong Club and Captain Ranking's
team took place on the Happy Valley
ground yesterday afternoon and resulted
in a win for the Club by ten points to nil.
The ground was greasy, owing to the light
rain which had fallen during the day, and
consequently the back divisions of both
teams did not get much opportunity of
showing good work. The forwards, how-
ever, worked hard, and had to do the bulk
of the play. T. K. Pearce and H. F.
Chard both scored tries for the Club and
Pearce converted both tries into goals.

The game can hardly be termed a good
one, as it was more of a practice game than
anything else. On Saturday next the first
important rugby game will be played, when
the Club will try conclusions with a team
from the United Services. This match
should be a good one and worth going fur-
ther than Happy Valley to witness.

SIX-STAR FOOTBALL.

The following is the position of the six-
star football competition to date:—

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Against
Garrett	5	4	1	0	10	5
Ranking	5	2	3	0	11	7
Aboult	4	2	2	0	1	6
Henderson	4	1	2	1	4	2
Miller	4	2	2	0	4	3
Franklin	5	4	1	0	4	2
Kendall	5	4	1	0	8	1

THE SANITARY BOARD.

The usual fortnightly meeting of the
Sanitary Board was held this afternoon
when the following business came up for
consideration:—

THE GENERAL CLEANSING.

The President moved:
"That the Board under Section 14 (2) of
the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance
1903, as amended by Section 6 of Ordinance
23 of 1905 appoint a Select Committee
consisting of the President and Messrs.
Fung Wa Chin and Lau Chi Pak to
consider all complaints arising in connection
with the General Cleansing."

Mr Lau Chi Pak moved—I think the
select committee should also be authorized
to arrange all the details in connection
with the general cleansing as before 1905.

The President—The details are arranged
for departmentally.

A RUINED CONTRACTOR.

The city scavenging contractor made
application asking that the Board should
pay him, at its earliest convenience, the
balance of his contract money due for last
month. The applicant stated that on
October 1st and 9th respectively he was
paid \$4410 and \$1898.28 instead of the full
amount \$7350. He did not know why the
money was kept back and pointed out that
he had lost heavily in fact all of his capital,
in carrying out the scavenging work. The
only remnant of his capital early in
September was the boats, and they were
destroyed in the Typhoon of September
18. He was consequently more urgently
in need of money than ever to pay his men
and continue the work. The Board, keep-
ing back the money, placed him in an
awkward position and prevented him from
carrying out the work expeditiously. The
applicant added that this was not all. He
found that his sub-contractor, Sham In
was being employed by the Board to do
scavenging work at the exceptionally high
rate of 60 cents to \$1 per cart load and
the carts were taken away and given to the
sub-contractor after 8 o'clock in the morn-
ing. Being better paid Sham In was able
to attract all the scavenging coolies into
his service by offering higher wages.
Applicant also feared that being employed
by two masters there was a danger that
the sub-contractor might charge twice for
the same work, once to applicant and once
to the Government. The applicant con-
cluded by asking that the Government
would provide dust boats to enable him to
carry his contract to its completion.

The Secretary moved (to the M.O.H.)

—The amount expended during September
on the removal of rubbish was \$1041.71.
Before deducting this from the amount due
to the contractor you let me know if
any rubbish, not specified in the contract
was removed and if so by how much the
\$1041.71 be reduced.

The M.O.H.—I can find no reason for
abatement of the amount to be deducted
on the plea that any part of the work did
not fall within the province of the Scaveng-
ing contractor.

Mr Shelton Hooper—Where is the letter
from the Government to the Board stating
that this matter had been settled?

Mr Lau Chi Pak—I should like to know
if the contractor's complaint that he work
had been given to his sub-contractor is
well founded. How has this matter been
settled? It appears that things are now
done in camera by the Sanitary Board.

The President—There was no letter from
the Government to the Board, the information
was conveyed by a minute from the
Colonial Secretary in a C. S. O.

SEW DUST BOATS.

Ng Kwong, of the firm of Yung Lee and
Co., wrote that in view of the present
difficulty experienced by the Board in the
disposal of refuse, owing to the want of
dust boats, he offered to supply eight
junks. The writer would supply eight
going junks of not less than 1000 piculs
capacity each, for \$2000 per month and
would take up the work at a week's
notice.

SHANGHAI IN PARAGRAPHS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Oct. 27.

The craze for American skyscrapers which has been sweeping over Shanghai has had a severe check, not because these buildings themselves have suffered but because they have had a very disastrous effect on more modest neighbours. The erection of the huge and handsome premises of the New Palace Hotel resulted badly for Messrs Mustard's establishment which is situated at the back. With the subsidence of the new building, the side wall of Mustard's facing it was pulled right over and it will mean rebuilding. Then a wall in one of the Kluge Road houses collapsed while in the course of alteration, but these are of incidents and the news of the week is the shutting up of the Lyceum Theatre before the A.D.O. were able to give their second performance of "The New Boy." For some while it has been known that there were certain defects in the Theatre which would have to be remedied in the near future and in order to take no risk the theatre was examined to see whether it would safely accommodate the audience expected last Saturday. A favourable verdict was given but after the performance was over it was found the weight had so severely strained the existing defects that it would be inadvisable to take a second risk. It is very unfortunate that should happen at the opening of the theatrical and concert season because it cannot be hoped that the alterations will take less than three months. It is thought that the huge girders erected in the neighbourhood of the theatre may in some measure account for its partial collapse and again it must be remembered the Theatre was built about twenty-five years ago at a time when concrete foundations were unknown in the Settlement. As if these were not enough troubles in the building line, a catastrophe has overtaken the German Church. The mischief was discovered by the simple act of walking across the Church. Doing this the foot of a gentleman slipped through the floor and a hasty examination revealed the fact that it was rotten all over owing to an accumulation of fungi underneath. The boards will have to be relaid during which time the German services will be conducted at the Union Church. It certainly seems time the Municipal Council exercised a more stringent supervision over the erection of immense buildings because if their existence will imperil the existence of smaller buildings already erected there is very ample ground why they should never be erected and for our peace of mind and for the sake of the unfortunates of the thing we hope the Council will not take a lenient view when contractors lay before them plans of fresh building erections.

The jewel robbery in which Ellery and Rosser were accused of robbing a Chinese jeweller and then making off with a quantity of jewellery is a thing of the past and the two men who pleaded guilty to the robbery but denied the violence have each received sentence. It will be remembered a young fellow by the name of Killen was implicated on a charge of being an accessory before the act. True it was the circumstantial evidence pointed to his guilt but this circumstantial evidence often does and Killen was able to give very adequate reasons for his frequent visits to the jeweller where Rosser resided, and to the jeweller's shop. He called at the latter in his capacity of insurance agent and this firm was next on the list of things which he had to visit. Anyhow, the jury were convinced of his innocence and he left the Court a free man after a few homely words of advice from the Judge. Shanghai approves of the sentence because much that was good could be said for Killen although so it can be said about Ellery and Rosser. Both men have served in the South African campaign, there was nothing against them previous to this charge, and Rosser was for some time in the Shanghai police when he made a good name for his pluck in stopping runaway. In passing sentence his Lordship remarked how painful it was to have to do so on two such young fellows but he dealt upon the necessity of punishing such crimes because of its influence upon the Chinese who were always very severely dealt with for similar offences. Rosser he sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour for three years and Ellery to imprisonment with hard labour for two years; Ellery receiving a lighter sentence in consideration of splendid services he had rendered to his country in South Africa.

Another interesting case which came before the Supreme Court was the charge brought against R. Oastro for stealing five diamond rings from Hops Bros. The prisoner confessed to taking two rings, but the other three he said he had been cheated of by a friend. Oastro only numbers 19 years. He was employed by the Shanghai Watch Co. which is run in connection with Hops Bros. An acquaintance of his named Ramirez told him he could sell a diamond ring if Oastro could get it. Oastro obtained five from the manager of Hops Bros but his friend said they were too small so they were taken back and five better ones given to him. Ramirez said he doubted whether the lady would believe they were genuine so they pawned one of the rings as a test, Ramirez keeping two other of the rings. After this he disappeared and Oastro, becoming frightened, bolted to Foochow where he sold one of the rings, the other being found in his possession. Sentence has been deferred in the meantime and perhaps a few more facts may be found which may confirm or alter the story told in Court.

In the dry records of the Municipal Council is to be found a very interesting and noteworthy announcement. In promp-

acquiescence of the Council's application, General Waters is sending down from Tientsin an officer from the Sikh regiment stationed there. With him will come a Jemadar who will remain in Shanghai for six months. It is now hoped we shall be able to ascertain more accurately the conditions of life of the Sikhs in Shanghai and learn the true reasons of their refusal to work last month. It is what has been needed for a long time and it seems a pity that it was necessary to have trouble before the want was fully realised. We resent the stigma of disgrace which has been thrown upon the Sikhs and we shall desire very convincing proof that they had no true cause of complaint before we blame them too severely.

BY WHARF AND WAVE.

Most of the vessels which have recently arrived at Shanghai from the South report bad weather and a very heavy E. N. E. swell.

The ceremony of turning the first clod of earth in connection with the construction of the great ship canal between Settin and Berlin, and which is to make Berlin a seaport, was performed on the September 20.

The Dutch Government is said to be on the point of admitting foreign vessels to the coasting trade between Sabang (Sumatra) and St. Peter (Borneo), this trade having been hitherto reserved to Dutch and Dutch Indian vessels. *Fairplay*

Mr. F. H. Harrison, President of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, who is seeking to control the trade of the Pacific Coast, has made a statement condemning Seattle as a port of entrance, claiming that Portland is better able to take care of the trade.

During the Russo-Japanese war light-houses were constructed on the Korean coast. Of these, eight were built by the Japanese military authorities at various points, and the Korean Government built five near Chumupo and two near Fusan. It is stated that Korean authorities are now building two light-houses near Chumupo and two at Gensan, all of which will be completed by the end of November.

Two out of the four torpedo boats which are being built at the Kawaakaki Dockyard to the order of the Viceroy of Liangkiang were successfully launched on the 19th inst. Each of the boats is 131 ft. in length and has a displacement of eighty-nine tons and a speed of twenty-three knots. Their equipments will be completed in the course of December, when they will be despatched to Nanking, together with three gunboats built at the same dockyard.

A San Francisco telegram of October 17, received by the *Japan Advertiser*, states that the Pacific Mail liner "Mongolia," which has just been docked there, shows the extent of the damage done to her bottom plate when she ran on the reef near Midway Island. It will take at the very least two months to put her in good repair. An examination of her sister ship, the "Manchuria," shows greater damage done, and it will be six months before she can go into commission again.

Work of all descriptions on the harbour today was greatly hampered by the rough weather. Most of the Chinese craft remained in the typhoon shelter throughout the day and hence loading and unloading of vessels was practically at a standstill. The rough weather is most unfortunate for salvage operations. This morning the junks engaged in raising the "Kwong Chow" were sent to have deserted her and the same was the case wherever salvage work was going on.

Statistics are now available relating to the maritime trade of Denmark in 1905. As far as the principal port (Copenhagen) is concerned, the entries into that harbour last year comprised 9,971 steamers of 3,138,817 reg. tons, and 8,172 sailing vessels of 309,953 reg. tons. The figures for 1904 were: 9,705 steamers (3,204,326 tons), and 8,223 sailers (321,801 tons). There was, therefore, a falling off last year in both the steam and sailing tonnage. The number of the steamers was, however, greater last year, but the sailing-ships were fewer.

In her collision with the O. N. S. "Kwoiyang," the damage sustained by the str. "Admiral von Tirpitz" was all above the water-line and above the two decks. The bow of the "Kwoiyang" swept away the hand rail and several deck fittings of the "Admiral von Tirpitz" from amidships aft, but it is thought that the damage can be repaired in about fourteen days. The "Kwoiyang" is damaged about the bows, above the water-line and her stern is twisted. One of the probable causes of the collision was the abnormally heavy N. E. swell.

The Cunard liners "Mauretania" and "Lusitania," are being fitted with very complete and separate installations of refrigerating machinery for cargo and ship's provisions. The ship's provision plant is very powerful, and will control a fine suite of cold rooms for the preservation of the various perishable ship's stores, meats,

fruits, vegetables, etc. This plant is steam driven, and is duplex throughout. The greater interest, however, centres in the cargo plant, which will have several entirely new features. The machines and pumps, which are in duplicate, will be electrically driven by direct-coupled variable speed motors.

The P. and O. s.s. "Delhi" arrived at Hongkong on the afternoon of September 18th with the mail which left London on the evening of the 24th August, the mail having thus been 24 days in transit. The despatch of this mail from London eastwards was simultaneous with that of the mail sent westwards by the Canadian route, the latter being due at Hongkong on Sunday, the 23rd inst. It is therefore apparent that the Suez route is five days shorter than that through Canada. The departure of the "Delhi" from Hongkong to Shanghai was retarded owing to the typhoon, which interfered with sailing arrangements; otherwise it is probable that the mail via Suez would have reached Shanghai at the same time as that via Canada, if not somewhat earlier. *Fairplay*

While the "Terrible" was at Colombo H.M.S. "Hermes" got into communication with H. M. S. "Fox," partly by wireless and partly by the ordinary telegraphic means. She was then at Nicobar near the Andamans. There she got into communication with the wireless station at Port Blair, and the message was sent from there by wireless telegraph to the South of India and came to Ceylon by cable. She was leaving Nicobar and is expected in Colombo on the 12th. She will then receive instructions to follow the "Terrible" up, in case anything should happen to the latter's propeller. As the "Terrible" is only able to do ten knots, with her single propeller, the "Fox" will probably be able to catch her up, but in any event the two vessels will keep in touch with each other by means of wireless telegraph.

The new Board of Trade regulation which allows a "friend" to appear before superintendents in cases between ship masters and men is causing much trouble at home. The friends are usually union bullies who make themselves a great nuisance, according to *Fairplay*. That journal satirically inserts the following advertisement of friends for hire:

William Basher: Fourteen stone; forty horse-power voice; and ready with his fists if superintendents prove stubborn. Has done time for manslaughter. This sound, reliable friend can be hired for the nominal sum of 2s. 6d. per dispute. Call and see him.

Benjamin Bullyboy, commonly known as "Broken-nosed Ben," can be heard at a distance of half a mile when in full blast. Has an enormous command of language, and is able to swear for five minutes on end without once repeating himself. Can shout down the most obstinate superintendent. Seafaring gentlemen whose cases are weak should ask for Benjamin, and see that they get him. Threes and sixpence per dispute.

Mr. Shirley Shovel, fireman, writes: "Sir,—I cannot speak too highly of the Friend I had from you when I was laid up at this port. I fully expected to see at least two guineas for curing the old man's skull with a mink, but your magnificent friend made so much noise that the superintendent gave me five shillings extra to take him away. Please send me another friend at once, as I am about to be laid off again, and the skipper intends to have me fined for being drunk while in Rio. P.S.—Muscular power is more important than lungs in this instance, as the superintendent here has gone deaf as a result of a course of your Friends."

Colonel Dower, late commandant of the British Legion Guard, left Tientsin, homeward bound, on the 20th inst.

It is reported in Peking that H. E. Tang Shao-yi is shortly going to establish a bi-lingual Government paper, to be called the "Wei-chiao-kan-pao" or "Diplomatic Review," in the metropolis, so that all correspondence, dispatches, and documents concerning foreign relations which are not of a secret nature may be published in English and Chinese. The paper is to be published once or twice a month in the premises of the *Waipao*.

The Kowloon Coolies. To-day a Kowloon richiea coolie was proceeded against at the Magistrate by a Chinese lady for refusing hire and using abusive language. The Magistrate regarded the case as of a serious nature and decided to give other coolies a lesson. He fined the coolies \$25 or two months' imprisonment and 6 hours' stock.

COULDN'T STAND IT.

The members of a family residing in the suburbs are said to be excessively quiet. Two of them, cousins, were camping out for a holiday, and one morning, at breakfast, Bill said to his chum: "Jim, there is a cow in the next field. I heard it bellow." Nothing more was said till evening, when on the way back to camp, Jim said: "How did you know it was a cow, Bill? It might have been a bull." No further remark passed; but next morning Jim found Bill doing up his pack, and preparing for his departure.

DO NOT NEGLECT A BAD COLD.

NEVER allow a cold to take its course. Too often at this season of the year its course is toward pneumonia. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will promptly cure your cold and counteract any tendency in that direction. You cannot afford to take such a risk for the small amount this medicine will cost you. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

On the occasion of the opening of the new college buildings at Aberdeen His Majesty the King knighted Alexander Lyon, the Lord Provost of the City.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Angus Hamilton, stepson of Mr. A. W. Pinero, and Miss Helen Reilly, daughter of the late Mr. George Siles Reilly, formerly of the War Office, has been solemnized at St. Margaret's, Westminster. Canon Henson officiated. No invitations were issued, owing to recent bereavement in the bride's family. Mr. Angus Hamilton's work as a traveller and political observer in Asia, particularly Korea, Manchuria, and Central Asia, is well-known and greatly appreciated. When Mr. Hamilton passed through Singapore on his way home from Korea some years ago, he was one of Mr. Seah Leong Seah's guests at a moonlight reception at Bouddemer. "A charming evening" he thought, although he was himself then suffering from a severe accident to one of his arms. He is a thorough believer in the British mission in Asia, and some of his more recent work is devoted to the expounding of Russian policy and schemes through Persia and into the Upper Oxus region. The Editor, who had the pleasure of renewing his friendship with Mr. Angus Hamilton in London in 1902, offers his cordial congratulations on his marriage. There is however some reason to fear that this happy event may mean that that intrepid explorer and brilliant writer may not in future devote himself to the work in Asia that has made for him so high a reputation in the literary and political world. *—Singapore Free Press.*

THE ANTI-JAPANESE CRUSADE IN CALIFORNIA.

THE authorities at San Francisco have ignored the remonstrances of the Japanese Consul, he protested direct to the Federal Government, whose reply was received in Tokyo to-day. It explains that the crusade is quite a local affair and that the Federal Government knew nothing about it till the telegram from Ambassador Wright was received. The Federal Government pledges its intention to see that no discrimination shall be made relative to the treatment of Japanese school-children.

The attitude of the Japanese newspapers as to the outbreak of Japanophobia in California is, generally speaking, moderate. The Japan Consul at San Francisco has made repeated protests to the authorities, and has pointed out that the present illiberal action constitutes a great insult to Japanese honour proper. He has further demanded that protection shall be given to Japanese restaurants against the boycott under which these establishments have been placed.

At a meeting of Californian pastors held at Oakland a resolution was passed against the proposed segregation of Japanese in the primary schools. School-masters have also expressed their objection to this measure.

TITLED LADY AS RANCHER.

Marquess's Daughter who Acts As Cattleman.

With the arrival of the steamship "Montcalm" at Avignon, from Montreal, came the news of an experiment which Lady Ernestine Hunt, eldest daughter of the Marquess of Athlery, has undertaken.

Lady Ernestine Hunt has started a horse-ranch at Calgary, Alberta, on a stretch of land between 20,000 and 40,000 acres in extent and she has personally supervised the conveyance of seventeen of the horses to Great Britain. From Bristol the animals will be transported to Dublin, where they will be broken in and sold.

The horses are still in a half-wild state, and throughout the voyage across the Atlantic Lady Ernestine Hunt had little or no assistance in their management.

Lady Ernestine Hunt says she is the first woman who has ever brought live stock across the Western Ocean by herself, and she pays a tribute to the cattlemen, who are, in her opinion, a much-maligned class.

"Since I was twenty years of age," added her ladyship, "I have been facing the battle of life by myself. As long as I can remember I have had a roving disposition, and have been fond of two things—horses and the sea."

"Three months ago I went to Canada with a perfectly open mind, and possessed with a vague idea of starting a ranch. The whole affair is in its infancy, but things will be on a much bigger scale before long."

QUESTION FOR QUESTION.

Rodney, who was 6 years old, and small for his age, made his first appearance at school one bright Monday morning, entering the schoolroom just as the bell rang, and plunging himself down in the first vacant seat that caught his eye.

After the opening exercises were over, the teacher came to his seat, and sat down by him.

"My dear," she said, "what is your name?" "Rodney Halpin," he answered. "What's your?" "I am Miss Adair, the teacher. How old are you, Rodney?" "Five, 'goin' on 6," said the boy, delighted at the friendliness of his reception. "How old are you?"

INFLAMMATORY RHEUMATISM.

ANYONE who has ever experienced the excruciating and almost unbearable pain incident to inflammatory rheumatism, will be pleased to know that prompt relief may be had by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Mr. D. Snyder, of Roseville, Ontario, Canada, says: "I have been troubled with inflammatory rheumatism for the past two years and unable to sleep at night. I have taken many remedies but such a relief as Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the best I have ever tried. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers."

A SCOTTISH LETTER.

Edinburgh, September 28.

This is the dead season of the year in Scotland. The public men who think, and work, and make day-to-day history, as well as the more interesting men who talk and get themselves talked about, are for the most part scattered over the face of the earth and sea on their annual holidays. Even the members of Parliament are resting after a long session, and are by no means anxious to anticipate the labours of the coming extra sittings. We are, indeed, in the middle of the "political doldrums." Only two speakers have broken the silence to any effect. Mr. Haldane, the indefatigable, has come back from the German military manoeuvres with a fresh crop of ideas about Army reform, the utilisation of brains, and "a nation in arms." Mr. Keir Hardie, on the other hand, is predicting the coming of an age of peace and general disarmament, and all the while is painting up productions of a great war against capitalism, and using, according to some of his friends, an altogether unnecessary amount of red paint. Two politicians, however, do not make a lively autumn, and the newspapers have adequately reflected the dullness by opening their columns to discussions about such subjects as "The Birthplace of Highland Mary," and "Is the tomato a fruit or a vegetable?"

Aberdeen is breaking up the colourlessness of the season by an unparalleled series of public festivities. The occasion is the quarter-centenary of the University and the inauguration of new buildings in connection with Marischal College. In ordinary times, the "Silver City" or the "Northern Sea" is a cold and rather grey place; this week it is bright and full of gaiety beyond recognition. There are processions and ceremonies and lampquets, illuminations, balls, and a torchlight procession. It has been transformed, indeed, into the likeness of a Southern town at springtime carnival. There is good reason for this abandonment to rejoicing on the part of a population that has as its usual characteristic a great reserve. Aberdonians recognise to the full the debt they owe to their old colleges, and know that but for their aid they would have been a much less notable people than they are at the present day.

The Granite City is thronged by visitors and invited guests from the four quarters of the globe. Lord Strathcona, the Chancellor of the University, and Sir Frederick Terres, the Lord Rector, have received a varied and distinguished company. All the Churches are represented. The Archbishop of Canterbury, in every line of whose strong face there may be traced his Scottish descent, read the New Testament lesson at the religious service with which the celebration began, and by his side stood the Moderator of the Church of Scotland and clergymen of Presbyterian voluntary churches. Monsignor Fraser, of the Scots College at Rome, represents the Roman Catholic Church, and presented a medal to the University on behalf of the Pope. Every country from Syria to Ecuador has one or more delegates. France has a particularly strong contingent headed by half a dozen gentlemen wearing the green-flecked uniform of the "Forty Immortals," and with the savants from Japan and Denmark, these share most of the popular applause. The greatest favourites are, undoubtedly, the visitor from "The British Dominion Beyond the Seas," Canada, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, and India have sent scholars to represent them, and they are everywhere received with unbounded enthusiasm.

The great event of the week, of course, has been the visit of their Majesties the King and Queen.

Another important feature was the truly gargantuan feast at which Lord Strathcona entertained 2400 guests in a specially erected hall. The whole of the material for this banquet was brought from London. One goodie train had a wonderful load. It comprised 64,000 knives, forks, and spoons, 12,000 glasses, 24,000 plates, 3000 flower ornaments, for the tables, and 4000 entree dishes. Two special passenger trains were required for the conveyance from London of 450 waiters.

More, perhaps, than any other University in Scotland, Aberdeen has been the home of the poor student. For many generations, literature has been cultivated there on a little oatmeal, taking the words in their most concrete sense. By means of its bursaries many cotton and labourer's sons have been able to do high thinking on plain living, and either to "wag his pen in a pulpit" or enter some of the wider professions. The stern discipline of poverty has its disadvantages, but still from these ancient walls there has come a long race of men famous for their hard-headedness and rugged independence. There are two colleges: King's, which devotes itself to the arts curriculum (or the humanities, as they are called in Scotland), and Marischal, which takes science under its care. Of the two, Marischal has attracted most attention during the celebrations, owing to the fact that a remarkable pile of new buildings for its accommodation have just been opened—buildings which, a competent critic says, "as a homogeneous group of scientific workshops, surpass anything of the kind I have seen elsewhere, and I know the best in America and Germany."

Marischal College was founded by George Keith, fifth Earl Marischal, from whom it takes its self-reliant motto, "They have said, 'What say they?' Let them say." Undoubtedly the best known of its graduates is a man who never existed, the immortal "Dugald Dalgetty," but the number of its famous men is legion. The new college has cost a quarter of a million; Lord Strathcona and the Mitchell family have been the most generous donors. As completed, it forms one of the finest granite palaces in the world; The Escurial in Spain is larger, but it lacks the architectural beauty of this building.

The massive frontage rises like a cliff, and then breaks into many graceful pinnacles; the tower is a triumph of skill over the most obdurate of materials; and the whole forms a perfect poem in stone. The coldness of the grey granite is relieved by a wealth of ornamentation, and in the sunshine the walls sparkle as if dotted with diamonds.

Not content with its University celebrations, Aberdeen has also been the host of the Franco-Scottish Society, one of the most interesting sociopolitical organisations of the present time. Only founded in 1890, it is already very powerful. Its influence goes far beyond the original intention—"to bring the Universities of Scotland and France into close connection, and to encourage the interchange of students." Mr. Jules Simon was the president of the first French branch, and Mr. Casimir-Perier and M. Delcasse are two of its leading members. In one way the Society recalls the "old alliance" of Scotland and France against "our old enemy of England." That alliance existed for several centuries from the time of Wallace onwards; readers of history—and of Sir Walter Scott—will remember the Scottish Archer Guard of the French Kings; and it has left many marks on the language and customs of both countries. In these days, of course, it has a different complexion. It is part of the *entente cordie* (which, by the way, is anticipated), and it is a pleasant coincidence that on its present visit to Scotland it holds its meetings in a city whose motto is a French one, "Bon Accord."

The Auld Brig of Ayr, the subject of one of Robert Burns' most popular poems, has been in a parlous state for many years. Of late it has been so feeble that it has had to be shored up, and even a wheelbarrow made an ominous clatter as it passed over its arches. The Town Council, thought they were doing a good day's work when they accepted the legacy of a gentleman named Templeton for the purpose of taking the bridge down and having it improved. They did not reckon with the lovers of the poet, however, who worship as something sacred whatever has been touched by his genius. Protesters showered in upon Ayr, not only from the rest of Scotland but from all the world. The Bathers and Councillors would persist in their vandalism, and the bridge, the outcries, and it was only when Lord Rosebery wrote a letter some twelve months ago that their hands were stayed. Eminent engineers have since visited the place, and their pronouncement is that for the sum of £10,000 the bridge can be made as solid as a rock. On Tuesday of this week, Lord Rosebery attended a demonstration at Ayr and made a stirring appeal on behalf of the Auld Brig. The subject was one which his country loves to play with. His speech was light and witty, and it would appear, unpremeditated, but the happy knack of making what has been composed under the lamp to sound like the inspiration of the moment—and it was full of touches of humour, pathos, and gentle irony. "If every one who attends a Burns dinner," he said, "and made speeches about Burns, and recited poems about Burns, and drank whisky in honour of Burns, were to send a shilling, our coffers would be full." But no one took offence at his chaff; his speech and letter have saved the bridge. Half the necessary money has already been subscribed, and it is certain that the Burns Clubs at home and abroad will make up the balance. No doubt the rickety arches are an anachronism, still from the point of view of the fervent Scot they are as worthy of preservation as Shakespeare's house at Stratford-on-Avon. In the past, Scotland has been more than neglectful in the preservation of her ancient structures, and the agitation about the demolition of the Ayr Brig may be hailed as a welcome manifestation of a new spirit.

The officers and men of several Scottish regiments have already created memorials to their comrades who fell in the South African War. Some of these have been placed in the territorial districts in which the regiments are recruited, but in other cases a site has been chosen in Edinburgh. This is now to be witnessed at Edinburgh Castle, a looked upon as the true centre of Scottish military life. The Gordons have placed a tablet, and the Scottish Horse a Celtic cross, upon the Castle Esplanade. Within the next month or so, the Scots Greys will have an equestrian statue in West Princes Street Gardens on the line of Princes Street. The Black Watch have obtained a commanding situation on the grassy slopes of the Mound, immediately above the Royal Scottish Academy; and the King's Own Scottish Borderers will next week have a group on one of the vacant pedestals on the North Bridge. In the West Country, the Cameronians (the Scottish Rifles) have put a beautiful brass in St. Mary's Episcopal Church at Hamilton; and to-day, H. R. H. the Duke of Connaught unveiled a monument on behalf of the Highland Light Infantry. It stands within Kelvin Grove Park, Glasgow, and takes the form of a soldier upon outcrop duty.

There is a rebuff of the threat to remove the Cavalry regiment from Piershill Barracks, and replace it by a detachment of artillery. This has aroused much feeling in Scotland, and there are signs that strong protests will be taken in Parliament. It is contended that at least one cavalry regiment should be stationed north of the Border, and that no more fitting home could be found for it than the immediate neighbourhood of Edinburgh. There is also some reason to rumour that Piershill Barracks near Glasgow should be abandoned.

Sir Francis Laking, who has for long been one of Scotland's most trusted medical advisers, has just recovered from a serious illness. He was attacked at Braemar, and had to be removed to a nursing home at Aberdeen. Sir Francis has the reputation of being the embodiment of medical common sense. One of the first principles of his practice is the careful tutelage of rest, and another is that of letting the patient do as far as possible what his inclination prompts. "Do anything you like, but nothing to excess," is the comfortable doctrine that he preaches.

The long looked for statue of John Knox has been placed in position in the Albany Chapel of St. Giles Cathedral, Edinburgh. It is a fitting site. It was within the walls of this church that the Scots Reformer delivered his great preachings. He is buried outside, in what is now the open street, and the spot is only marked by a square plate bearing the letters "J.K." scarcely distinguishable from a road-stone on the caseway. The statue is of bronze, set on an ornamental stone pedestal, and surmounted by a handsome canopy, which is supported on pillars of dark marble. The inscription reads:—"Erected by Scotsmen at home, in Australia, in Canada, and the United States." The statue is expected to be unveiled during next month.

By his will, the late Earl of Leven and Melville has left £40,000 for the restoration of the Chapel of Holyrood Palace, so that it can be used as a chapel for the Order of the Thistle, of which he was a member. A Royal Commission is to visit Scotland, next spring, for the purpose of the advisability of a ship canal between the Forth and the Clyde capable of admitting ships of war.

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